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# *Back To School*

**Wake up procrastinators and overachievers a new year is calling. The Chronicle welcomes you back!**

## *Letter from the editor*

**W**elcome back Yotes to another school year! I hope you all had an eventful summer, whether you worked at your summer job, ran errands for your summer internship, or just stayed home with your feet propped—I hope you enjoyed it to its fullest.

Now it's back to the grind!

Back to the handed out syllabi, quizzes, midterms and final exams I know all of us are dreading. But don't fret your pretty little hearts the Coyote Chronicle is here to the rescue!

My staff and myself promise that your campus newspaper will always bring you the update on the latest news and trends. All we ask from you is that you read our paper and give us feedback as to what you liked or disliked.

Don't be shy to pop into our office and say hi, tell us what stories you want to see

covered! If you're interested in being apart of the Coyote Chronicle staff, please let us know!

We welcome all aspiring writers, photographers and artists. If you miss picking up the newspaper from one of the stands, stay tuned to our website, Twitter and Facebook pages to receive all of the stories.

The Coyote Chronicle will be working on short video clips for students who want their stories quick and easy. Keep in mind that your campus newspaper will be addressing topics involving our school, but also informing you about national and global news.

Fellow students and contributors write the stories you will read in the paper, so do support your peers by reading the paper and being involved.

With that being said good luck in the following quarters and enjoy this college experience!

*Sincerely,*  
*Koby*



GET TO KNOW THE STAFF

We know you’re dying to get to know us! Here are some random questions that may give you an idea of what we’re like:

1. Favorite color?

2. Most recent downloaded song?

3. Pet peeve?

4. What you did over the summer?

5. Must have apparel or accessory?
- Koby Heramil, Editor-in-chief

1. Any color EXCEPT pink

2. I don’t even know where my iPod is

3. Dirty ears

4. Summer school, work, and went to New York City

5. My glasses and retainers
- Manal Museitef, Managing Editor

1. Black, don’t tell me it’s not a color!

2. “The Professional” by The Weeknd

3. When people don’t say “thank you,” so rude, right?

4. Visited Palestine and Turkey, saw The Weeknd live

5. A watch is the best accessory & a smile (Cliche alert!)
- Phil Ruddle, News Editor

1. Maroon and green

2. “Where did you sleep last night (unplugged, live)” by Nirvana

3. When people take pictures with their tablets

4. Went to Australia, played soccer, worked, hung out

5. Soccer boots and three-quarter pants
- Kandyce Hall, Opinions Editor

1. Pink or bright colors

2. “Mirrors” by Justin Timberlake

3. When time is wasted instead of being productive

4. Traveled, was a SOAR leader, interned, studied for ISAT

5. My glasses
- Gabbie Corral, Features Editor

1. Coral

2. The entire Ariana Grande CD

3. When people don’t take their “yard sale” signs down

4. Saw Beyonce, Taylor Swift and the Jonas Bros. live

5. A bunch of bracelets
- Marissa Mooney, A&E Editor

1. Green

2. 2 Chainz’s new album

3. When people brake on the freeway for no reason

4. Intern at an entertainment PR firm in LA/work/travel

5. Rings that don’t turn your fingers green and cute tights
- Abi Tejada, Asst. A&E Editor

1. Red

2. “Outta Time” by Natalie Kills

3. Loud chewing

4. Run, go to the beach, randomly hang out with friends

5. Round Sunglasses
- Chelsea Underwood, Sports Editor

1. Green

2. “Cruise” by FGL featuring Kelly

3. When you tell someone to call you back and they text you instead.

4. Physical therapy, hike, and play basketball, church

5. My basketball shoes
- Linda Tran, Asst. Sports Editor

1. Blue

2. “Holidays” by Miami Horror

3. When people stand and not walk on moving floor belts

4. Taught English and studied abroad in South Korea

5. Leggings and a nice pendant necklace

Letter from the managing editor



Glad to be back! I hope you all had a great summer filled with endless nights on Netflix, waking up after noon and eating fast food for breakfast lunch and dinner, because those days are.... probably going to keep happening.

Well at least they can happen now with free (pre-paid) gym access, am I right?

So now that we’re back in school we’re supposed to have this routine where we eat sleep and breath our studies, but whose to say we can’t squeeze in a little time where we actually enjoy our time on campus.

That is our mission at the Coyote Chronicle. We want students to know what’s happening on campus, where to go, and who to know. Here at the Chronicle we aim to help students new and old know more about our campus. We promise to update you through Facebook and Twitter to make it as easy and fast as possible for you.

Visual updates are also available on CoyoteChronicle.net. Our staff prides themselves on writing about topics that interest you.

Whether it covers the how funny Aziz Ansari was during his performance on campus or how ratchet Miley Cyrus was at the VMAs...we wouldn’t miss it.

We love knowing what you think which is why we feature a segment, “Coyote Watch” where we ask students on campus on their thoughts on timely topics happening on campus, around the world, and in pop culture. We hope to gain and build relationships with our readers to better our product.

If you’re interested in writing for the Chronicle please don’t hesitate to stop by the office in UH-34 and get to know Koby and me.

We’re actually pretty freakin’ hilarious. I’m not even kidding.

*Sincerely,*  
*Manal*

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# The Absolute Cheapest Way to Get Your Books

By PHIL RUDDLE  
Asst. News Editor

Buy all of your textbooks online this quarter and avoid the bookstore to save money.

There are a lot of online sites you can go to purchase or rent a book whether it be digital or hard copy such as amazon and half.com, however websites with a universal search engine that are designed to find the cheapest prices for books is the way to go.

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Even if you are buying multiple textbooks, Big-words takes that into account to find a specific web-site or store that sells all of them so you don't have to order from multiple places.

You can also edit your search options to your exact needs. For example, lets say you added four textbooks to your book-bag and Big Words tells you that the cheapest option is to rent all of them used.

What if you actually want to keep one of the four books and purchase it?

Well all you have to do is right click on the pricing page on that book, click ignore this copy, and voila, it will alter the price to your selection.

Big Words is best used as a ninja price comparison.

There are times when the cheapest copy of a textbook is a used hardcover on amazon or a digital

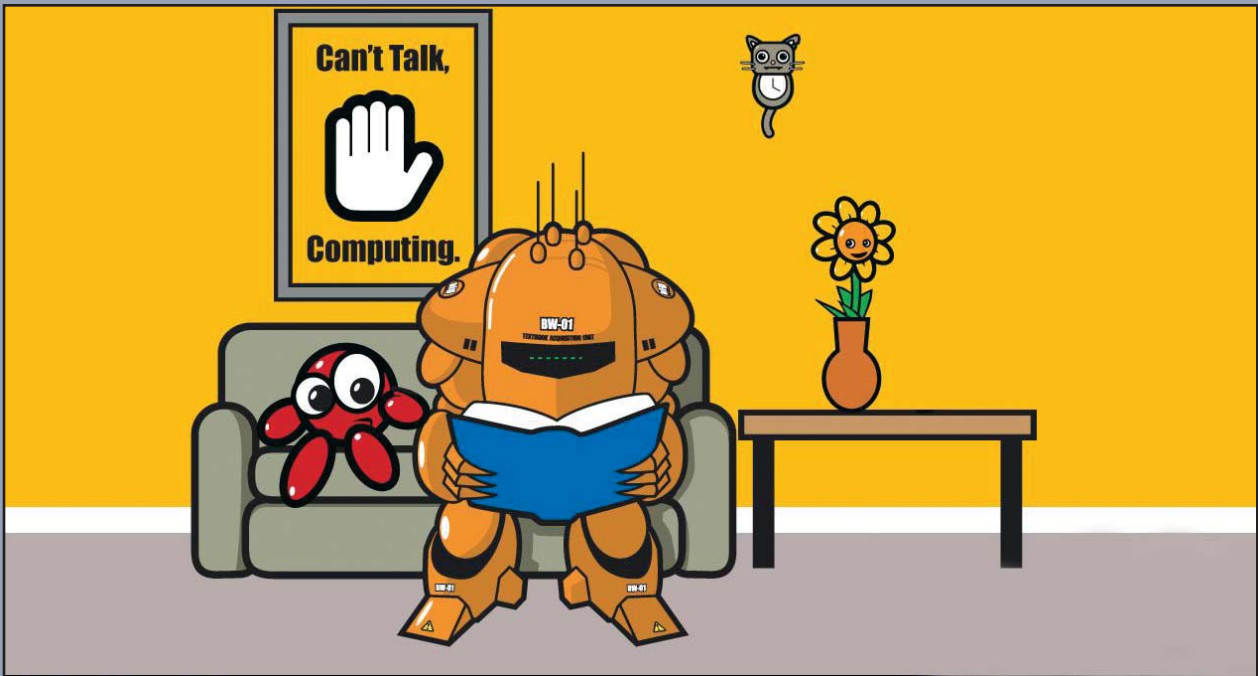


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After selecting your books in your shopping cart, a comical 'Uber-BOT' mascot shares Zen truths while you are waiting for the price comparison to generate.

file on Kindle. Sometimes it isn't, and its cheaper to rent for the semester versus buying it. Big Words figures all that out for you.

"Despite the growing trend of renting textbooks, the data and research we've gathered suggests that buying and reselling books at the end of the semester is more beneficial, saving students more money," explains Jeff Sherwood, founder and CEO of bigwords.com

The average annual cost for textbooks at a four-year university is \$1,137, according to a study done by the U.S. Government Accountability Office and after researching the top 1,000 most-searched-for textbook titles nationally by college students, Big-words found that after buying the cheapest used book

and reselling it at the end of the term, students save an average of \$56.64 per book, as opposed to renting, according to the company's study.

"We have been at it since 2001 and our primary concentration is to make sure that our technology is primarily focused on finding the cheapest copy of the right textbook," explained Jeff Sherwood.

Do not make any rush buys this quarter for your books on the first website you see or run to the closest bookstore near you. Remember to check library as some professors provide a copy of the textbook to be checked out for a certain number of time.

Do your research and find out what the cheapest way to get what you need, or better yet, just have Bigwords do it for you.



Summer 2013 was filled with social milestones and media frenzies that left us all entertained. From gay marriage passing to loopy Miley Cyrus acting out, the last few months have made history.

By PHIL RUDDLE  
Asst. News Editor

**June 28:** The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled this day that same-sex marriages can resume in California, with local governments issuing marriage certificates.



June



**July 22:** At 4:24 P.M., George Alexander Louis was born into British Royalty, who is third in line to the throne.

July



**Aug. 21:** Graphic footage surfaced social media sites of an alleged chemical weapons attack on civilians residing around Damascus, Syria. Hundreds of civilians, including children were reportedly killed.

Aug.

Aug.



**Aug. 25:** Miley Cyrus received a lot of attention and backlash from her outlandish acts at the MTV Video Music Awards when she "twerked" all over Robin Thicke.

Sep.



**Sep. 16:** An armed gunman opened fire at the Washington Navy Yard in D.C., killing 12 people and injuring a lot more in the process. American flags surround the Washington Monument flying at half-staff, ordered by President Barack Obama.

Sep.



**Sep. 18:** Anticipation for the new IOS 7 software is long over. IOS 7 will include a massive visual overhaul along with aesthetically pleasing features providing a whole new experience for iPhone users.



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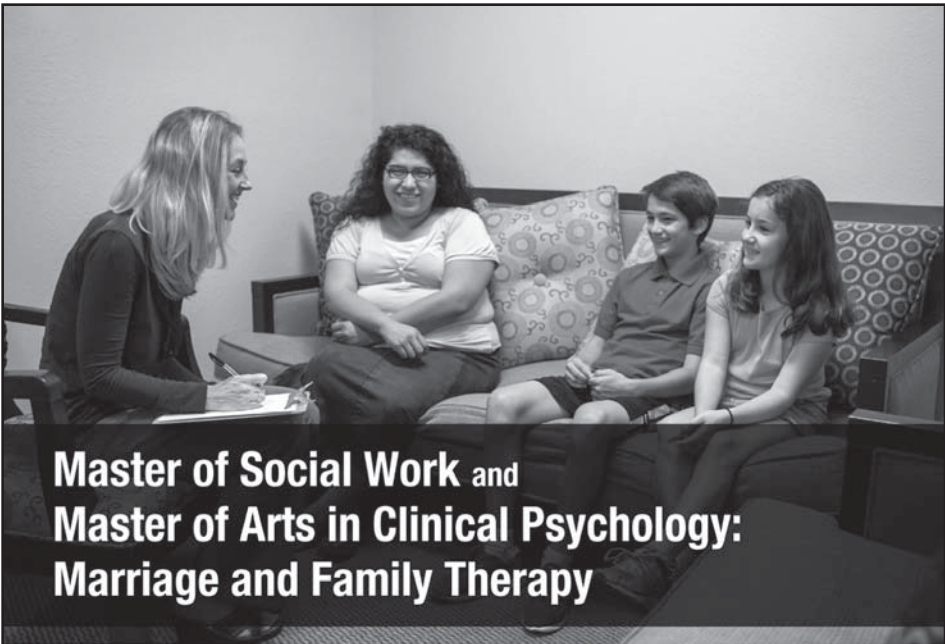
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Time: 10 a.m - 2 p.m

CSUSB's annual student engagement and leadership fair encourages students to be engaged in volunteer service and enhance their professional development and career readiness through service learning. Students will have the opportunity to meet with representatives from over 40 locally based community agencies.

We encourage you to attend and take away from it useful resources that may help in the long run!



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# Minimum wage gets a raise

By KANDYCE HALL  
Opinions Editor

If you were to ask the average college student how much money they make an hour, most would probably say minimum wage.

Currently minimum wage is set at \$8 an hour but by 2016 it will increase to \$10 an hour giving a much needed raise to many working class residents of California.

Do you believe California legislature made the right decision in passing AB 10?

The raise comes in the form of AB 10 a bill proposed by Assemblyman Luis Alejo, D-Watsonville.

It will initially take effect in July of 2014 when minimum wage will increase by a \$1 followed by another increase in 2016.

It has been nearly 6 years since minimum wage has increased in California while cost continues to rise yearly with

no counter balance for the public.

According to an article in *The Wall Street Journal*, "The minimum wage has not kept pace with rising costs," said Gov. Brown.

"This legislation is overdue and will help families that are struggling in this harsh economy."

According to ABC News, those that oppose of AB 10 believe that the increase in wages will hurt business and cut jobs.

While hurting small business can be a plausible result of the implementation of the new bill once it becomes law, it cannot make unemployment any worse off than it already is.

Supporters of AB 10 believe that the piece of legislation was aimed at helping working class families by giving them a chance of getting out of poverty, according to *The Wall Street Journal*.

How do you feel about AB10? Email us at [sbchron@csusb.edu](mailto:sbchron@csusb.edu) to share your thoughts on the bill.

# Art of textbook shopping:

## The inns and outs of buying and renting textbooks

By KANDYCE HALL  
Opinions Editor

Freshman year can be challenging. Everything is new, new school, new classes, and new friends.

As the quarter continues look to these tips to help you succeed in your freshman year. Each week a new tip will be discussed hope you find it helpful

One of the first decisions that every student will have to make is deciding whether they should rent or buy their textbooks.

Well I'm here to tell you that renting is the best way to go.

I spent nearly \$400 on textbooks alone my first quarter in college because I chose to buy them all.

But, if I could do it all over again I would rent the books in a heartbeat. While the campus bookstore offers students the option of renting or buying many textbooks you should not limit yourself to only using their services.

There are many reliable and affordable rental companies that offer textbooks that would be needed in student classes. The books that are offered are also usually

priced at a substantial lower amount than what you would pay if you were to buy them brand new.

Many students fall into the myth that you cannot write in a textbook unless you buy it.

However the facts tell us that rented textbooks can be treated as if they were your own. This means that students can both write and highlight in their rentals as long as no real physical damage is made to the book.

I've found it quite helpful to receive books that have been previously used because they generally have good highlights on the main points in the book.

These of course would be great when it comes to studying. One of the key points that every student should remember is to shop around.

Do not just buy or rent the first book you see because you may find it somewhere else at a cheaper price.

Also remember that most rental companies provide customers with a rental return period in which you can receive their money back. Many rental companies provide you with the option to rent for a quarter rather than semester saving you additional dollars as well.

A good majority of the rental book companies provide free shipping when a minimum total is reached.

Many people may say that they buy their books and will sell them after they use them, but I'm here to tell you that majority of people who sell their books back don't even receive 50 percent of what they initially pay for them.

Realistically, the money that you would receive from selling your books back is what you would be saving if you rent you books, if not more. However, if you choose to purchase textbooks try purchasing used copies.

Used copies of textbooks are usually sold at a reduced price.

I would advise that you only purchase books that you will need in your major classes.

Keep a look out for more tips that will be coming soon.



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# Where you need to go, and what you need to know

## How to look calm and collected as a freshman on your first day back to school

By **GABBIE CORRAL**  
Features Editor

Taking your first steps onto a new campus can be very intimidating. You might try to find people you know from your hometown, look for a place to eat or find a quiet place to study.

We've all been there and we all wished there was someone to help us throughout our first weeks. That's why these tips will be very beneficial to any new student trying to navigate their way around campus.

**The Santos Manuel Student Union (SMSU)-** is where you will want to hang out if you want to meet a variety of people. Many people spend their breaks in between classes here because of the range of food offered such as Taco Bell and Pizza Hut, comfortable lounging and various events happening throughout the quarter.

**ASI box office-** is located in the SMSU to the left of the events center offers discounted tickets to the movies, amusement parks and various events on campus.

The SMSU is also where you can find specific centers that embrace each persons individuality.

**The Women's Resource Center-** supports and encourages women with programs and services to assure they live their college life to its fullest potential.

On the east wing of the SMSU is where a variety of cultures can come together in the Cross Cultural Center. Active conversations on cultural awareness are some of the top features of the center. They also hold many events and provide services such as a computer lab and test materials. The center also provides lounging areas and daily movie screenings and a popcorn machine!

**The Pride Center-** across the hall from the Adult Re-entry Center, also provides a safe and open environment for their community. The center emphasizes social justice towards everyone and the rights of the LGBTQIA community. Ultimately, each center is welcoming of every one on campus and provides a place where they can gain new friends, new experiences and new knowledge.

**The Career Center-** located inside University Hall (UH) is your new hang-out spot if you're trying to build your resume, get an internship or find a job. There are always workshops offered to help students prepare for an ideal career so be sure to stop by to find out when your opportunity arises. Along with the Career Center, the third floor of UH offers many other helpful resources for students.

**The learning center in UH-351-** offers computers, tutoring and other services to students such as low-cost printing.

**The writing center in UH-387-** offers tutoring and one-on-one writing conferences with students that some professors give extra credit for going to places like this outside of class. It shows you are dedicated!

**Pfau Library-** offers many things besides the typical study spot. On the first floor you can grab a quick snack at Café Au Lib, use one of the computers and print something out or temporarily



check out a textbook that your professor may have put on hold for students to use.

There is also a computer lab that features a vending machine with any last minute test materials you may need (pencils, bluebooks and index cards). You can also rent Macbook laptops for up to eight hours each day.

If you have a class on the second floor of the library, know that the only way to access it is on the outside of the library and through the indoor elevator. Also, the higher up in the library you go, the quieter it gets!

When it comes to tests, you can buy scantrons individually or in bulk at the Coyote Book Store, in the library you can use the scantron vending machine or buy one right inside Café Au Lib.

Coyote market inside the SMSU has some for sale and various organizations inside the SMSU occasionally give out scantrons for free around and before big test weeks, but do not wait until the same day because they go by fast!

**The Student Recreation and Fitness**

**Center (SRFC)-** is located near Jack Brown Hall on the east side of campus.

After SOAR, we all say we will use it because it's free, but many of us won't because either we don't have time or because it is intimidating. But the staff is helpful and they offer a variety of activities such as yoga, Zumba dance, kickboxing, rock climbing, basketball and racket ball. There is also the newly established Leadership Challenge Course which is a multi-level obstacle course that tests your group's ability to team up and work together to complete the course in the fastest time. And after you do all that, head to the sauna in the locker room to relax.

**The Commons-** this may be a place you'd like to check out when you start to get hungry. Most on-campus residents are aware of the Commons because they have a meal plan.

But many students who commute to campus will just walk right past this building. It is another alternative to the food in the SMSU located to the right of UH. If you're looking for help regarding

your student account, financial aid or advising information you will be able to find that all in UH.

**Campus Police-** If you are experiencing a non-emergency on campus, you can call the Campus Police at (909) 537-7777. They are always willing to escort you to your car or across campus if you ever feel uneasy.

They also offer students access to emergency buttons located on blue poles around campus that notify them if you need help. Lastly, for the first few weeks, parking will be packed and it is recommended you arrive to campus earlier to avoid being late to class.

**The parking lots-** are packed during big tests weeks like midterms and finals, so keep this in mind. And be sure to always have your parking pass visible in your car, or else.

These tips are just the basics of how to navigate CSUSB.

Keep them in mind as you venture off and try to make the best of your first weeks back to school!



# NY Fashion Week inspires affordable looks

By **ABIGAIL TEJADA**  
A&E Assistant Editor

While we are getting ready to change into our favorite fall sweaters, New York is spicing things showing off what will be hot this upcoming Spring and Summer during New York Fashion week Sep. 5 through Sep. 12.

Transparent, bright colors and florals will be the way to go Spring 2014.

As shown in day five of NYFW flats and sandals will be the hot styles for footwear.

Celebrities attending left and right not only because of all the freebies they get, but also to get a glimpse on what they will be wearing this upcoming spring.

Stars such as Jessica Alba, Kanye West, Anna Sophia, Audrey Kitchings, Dita Von Teese, the Beck-

hams, Taylor Momsen and many more were spotted enjoying the show.

As college students, you might not have the money to spend on the same designer clothes these stars have, but that does not mean you have to settle for a less stylish attire.

Fashion week is perfect for inspiration.

Find your favorite looks and let them be your pointers on to what you will be looking for at your favorite affordable retailers.

Some retailers such as Forever 21, Mod Cloth, H&M, PacSun, Tilly's, Papaya, Target, and Charlotte Russe are notorious for their affordable items, which resemble those seen on the runway.

While some collections were complex, Victoria Beckham's collection screamed simplicity.

Simplicity is what made it fabulous and

unique; still maintaining the sophisticated style with that youthful edge Mrs. Beckham is famous for.

Beckham's signature looks resemble those of Alexander Wang, but it is not to be confused with Alexander Wang's design.

While both had incredible designs Wang had a more playful look while Beckham's was more sophisticated.

At the other end of the spiral there was Betsey Johnson who showed of the punk and spunky side of fashion.

This collection was pure bubble gum glitz, being that the models walked the runway with glorious pink hair and everything was a fierce pastel pink.

Remember being fashionable does not equal a hungry wallet.

Be smart with your purchases to have enough money to go out and show off your style.



Edward James | Getty Images

Model struts runway with a floral Betsey Johnson design.



Dress: New Look, Purse: The Iconic, flats: Charlotte Russe. Inspired by Betsey Johnson's matching floral dress and purse and light pink ballet flats.



The Pretty Reckless' Taylor Momsen (lead singer) spotted in the front row at the Helmut Lang show on Sept. 6 in all black.



Edward James | Getty Images

Model struts the runway with an Alexander Wang design.



Blouse: Ruche, Skirt: River Island, Platforms: Nasty Gal. Look inspired by Alexander Wang's design with black skater skirt, white button-up shirt, and platform creepers.

## A coyote's pathway to success

### Weigh in the value of an internship to ensure a job for tomorrow

By **Marissa Mooney**  
A&E Editor

Whether it is paid or unpaid, that perfect internship might set you apart and get your foot in the door with a potential employer.

This past summer I had the opportunity to intern at an Entertainment Public Relations firm in Los Angeles.

All of last spring quarter I researched internships that would fit perfectly in my career path.

I browsed through internqueen.com and anything Google could offer me.

I wanted the opportunity to "test drive" a career (Would I be happier in public relations or marketing?).

I took the initiative and interviewed with many potential Entertainment PR firms in Los Angeles.

Nothing looked promising as many of the firms I interviewed required commut-

ing to Los Angeles five days a week.

Fortunately, my last interview was a success and flexible to my schedule.

For the whole summer I committed my time, gas and money because the internship was unpaid, working for celebrities.

I never wanted to enter an unpaid internship resulting in making the perfect coffee or getting my boss lunch. I lucked out.

Instead I had the chance to network, establish relationships with mentors, celebrities, and fellow publicists.

My internship included plenty of office work, doing press, and other media related tasks, as well as attending parties and events

for clients.

I was also fortunate to attended Macy's Glamorama concert event at The Orpheum Theatre in L.A, which the Backstreet Boys happened to attend as well.

I was able to schmooze on the red carpet with clients, attend photo shoots and fancy Hollywood parties, while learning about the hard-work of the Public Relations realm.

An internship can lead to an introduction to the field's culture and etiquette (Are clients addressed by their first name? Are jeans appropriate for Casual Friday?)

I accumulated new skills and gained a "real world" perspective on an occupation (How much overtime do employees really work? How much time is

spent behind a desk versus in the field?)

According to CNN, "graduating students with paid or unpaid internships on their résumé have a much better chance at landing a full-time position upon graduation. Students are doing internships as undergraduates, and it is not unusual for recent grads to take an unpaid internship with hopes of turning it into a permanent position, networking and building their résumé."

Sometimes when searching for that perfect internship, you just hope to get lucky.

Sacrificing my summer vacation I gained a future reference on my resume and a part-time position.

When I walk across that stage during graduation in June, I will be given a full-time position in the Entertainment Public Relations field.

Interning during my undergraduate years really did pay off!





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# It's tee time

## Coyote Athletics Association presents golf money drive

By **LINDA TRAN**  
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Come and join the Coyote Athletics Association (CAA) to celebrate the 2013 Dave Stockton Coyote Classic tournament on November 18 at the Arrowhead Country Club in San Bernardino. This year will be the CAA's 18th annual event and has achieved more than \$586,000 to aid scholarship and training to all 10 NCAA sports at CSUSB. The event will be hosted by a true representative of golf and native of San Bernardino, Dave Stockton. Stockton has won 25 professional championships in his career, including the PGA Championship in 1970 and 1976, as well as the Senior Open in 1992, 1994 and 1996.

In 1991, Stockton was captain of the Ryder Cup team and assistant captain in 2008. Presently, Dave Stockton is known as the renowned PGA Tour Player Coach. The admission fee of the tournament will cost \$325 per person or \$1,300 per group of four. For people who want to attend the awards dinner only, the fee will be \$60. Individual golfers and teams will compete against each other will be held during the day. The event will conclude with an awards banquet that will include a raffle, auction and winners of the Dave Stockton Cup will be announced. Golfers will get the opportunity to sponsor and select six sponsor packages that range between \$15,000-\$150. The following sponsor packages are:

the Title sponsor for \$15,000, the Eagle sponsor for \$10,000, the Birdie sponsor for \$5,000, the Par sponsor for \$2,500, the Tee Box sponsor for \$1,000 and the Tee Sign for \$150. The perks included but not limited to are tournament entries with all golfer amenities, option to include CSUSB golf team members, reserved tables at Golf Classic Recognition Dinner, sponsor recognition on all promotional and marketing material, and one framed tee sign autographed by Dave Stockton. Golfers will be able to win prizes, have food provided throughout the day and get a chance to get a team photo with Dave Stockton. For more information, please access the CSUSB athletics page at [csusbathletics.com](http://csusbathletics.com).

# Coyote Inside Look:

## New Coach, New Program, New Team

By **CHELSEA UNDERWOOD**  
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Renee Jimenez takes charge over the women's basketball program in her first season as head women's basketball coach at CSUSB.

Jimenez comes from a winning women's basketball program at California State Monetary Bay.

In the past five years, Jimenez and her staff have taken pride in themselves for building up and earning three trips to the NCAA tournament along with a 100 percent graduation from the participating athletes. Determine to build and strengthen the Coyotes, according to Jimenez, it all starts with the small things; from having good grades, working as a team, and taking advantage of what the school has to offer.

Academics is what Jimenez's program takes most pride in and pursues to keep that going even if it means to cancel practice or

a planned work out.

"We are really hard on our kids in terms of school comes first and we don't stay later at practice if we have class, we leave early to go to class," said Jimenez.

"We never compromise their academics for athletics. It's not worth it."

Looking out for her players when it comes to inside the classroom, she takes the time to make sure that her players are where they need to be.

Now when it comes to the court, Jimenez brings a little something to this program and surprisingly it has nothing to do with basketball.

"Our biggest goals just in practice has been to be a great teammate," said Jimenez.

"They have to tuck their shirts in, no matter how tired they are, they have to clap or have to talk to each other."

Jimenez stresses the importance of team building, "a lot of it is learning to how stay together as a team when they're tired and can't do anything else or they



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Renee Jimenez endeavors on a new journey at CSUSB, bringing a new edge to the woman's basketball team this season.

can't do one more set or one more sprint they learn how to pick each other up. There is a lot of little things that we have brought with us that we're pretty discipline in that sense."

The importance of being able to be a great teammate are the building blocks for a firm foundation that can be built up in time.

Jimenez likes to see CSUSB as a "Sleeping Giant" that is bountiful with re-

sources and faculties that she is ready to take hold.

Some of which is the Coussoulis Arena and the local high schools that are great for potential recruits.

With so much to offer and many goals to achieve, Jimenez is taking her time to not only build a solid basketball program but show the potentials of student athletes through hard work on the court and in the classroom.